

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS : HELGE AHRENS ET AL.  
SERIAL NO. : To be assigned  
FILED : Herewith  
FOR : SELF-ADHESIVE WOUND DRESSINGS WITH ADHESIVE  
WOUND MANAGEMENT REGION  
ART UNIT : To be assigned  
EXAMINER : To be assigned

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 5-10 as follows:

--5. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the carrier film comprises polyurethane, polyethylene, polypropylene, polyamide or polyester.--

--6. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the carrier film is between 60 and 80  $\mu\text{m}$  in thickness.--

--7. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer comprises polyacrylate or rubber.--

--8. The dressing of claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer is between 35 and 50  $\mu\text{m}$  in thickness in the edge region in particular.--

--9. The wound dressing of claim 1, covered over its entire width with an adhesive rejecting carrier material, such as siliconized paper, until use.--

--10. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the polyurethane matrix contains one or more active substances.--

#### REMARKS

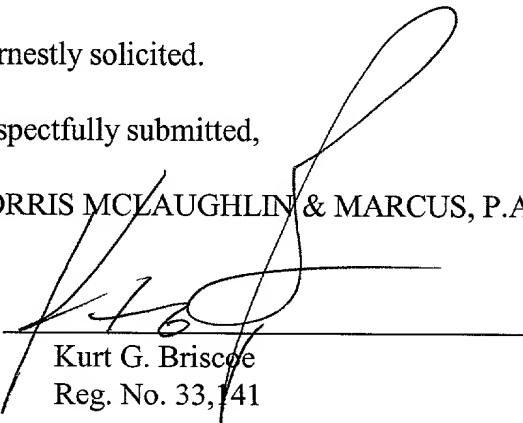
Claims 5-10 have been amended to remove their multiple dependency, making them dependent on claim 1.

An early examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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**MARK-UP SHOWING THE CHANGES MADE IN THE CLAIMS TO YIELD  
THE CLAIMS AS AMENDED ABOVE**

--5. The wound dressing of [any of claims 1 to 4] claim 1, wherein the carrier film comprises polyurethane, polyethylene, polypropylene, polyamide or polyester.--

--6. The wound dressing of [any of claims 1 to 5] claim 1, wherein the carrier film is between 60 and 80  $\mu\text{m}$  in thickness.--

--7. The wound dressing of [any of claims 1 to 6] claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer comprises polyacrylate or rubber.--

--8. The dressing of [any of claims 1 to 6] claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer is between 35 and 50  $\mu\text{m}$  in thickness in the edge region in particular.--

--9. The wound dressing of [at least one preceding claim] claim 1, covered over its entire width with an adhesive rejecting carrier material, such as siliconized paper, until use.--

--10. The wound dressing of [at least one preceding claim] claim 1, wherein the polyurethane matrix contains one or more active substances.--